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METHOD OF SCREENING FOR A)
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Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

Japanese patent publication No. 2002-514092 is not in English. WO 98/508075 is a PCT equivalent of this Japanese publication and is also submitted herewith.

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